

**OKLAHOMA! Audition Pieces*****Gertie Cummings – Dialogue Piece 1***

GERTIE: Hello, Laurey. Jist packin' yer hamper now?

LAUREY: I been busy.

*(GERTIE looks in LAUREY'S hamper. AUNT ELLER enters)*

GERTIE: You got gooseberry tarts, too. Wonder if they is as light as mine. Mine'd like to float away if you blew on 'em.

LAUREY: I did blow on to one of mine, and it broke up into a million pieces. *(GERTIE laughs—that laugh again)*

GERTIE: Ain't she funny!

*(The GIRLS step toward each other menacingly)*

AUNT ELLER: Gertie! Better come inside, and cool off.

GERTIE: You comin' inside 'th me, Curly?

CURLY: Not jist yet.

GERTIE: . . . Well don't be too long. *(Crosses to porch)* And don't fergit when the auction starts tonight—mine's the biggest hamper! *(The laugh again, and she exits)*